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from members of the faculty, and insure that the institution's nominations, with all required supporting documents, are forwarded to the Foundation as required by §1801.16 and the current Bulletin of Information.

(c) It is the role of the Faculty Representative or the President at a fouryear institution to transmit to the Foundation the nomination materials of transfer students for receipt by the stated deadline. The institution may attach letters of endorsement for up to three transfer students.

§1801.16 Closing date for receipt of nominations.

The Foundation publishes an annual notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER of the date, usually December 2, by which time the Foundation must receive nominations at the address specified in the nominations materials in order to be considered by the Foundation.

§ 1801.17 Contents of application.

- (a) The Foundation provides a form that must be used as the application.
- (b) Each application must include the following:
- (1) A certification of nomination and eligibility signed by the Faculty Representative or the President;
- (2) A completed Nomination and Supporting Information Form signed by the nominee:
- (3) An analysis of a public policy issue written by the nominee;
- (4) A current official college transcript;
- (5) Four letters of recommendation including one from the Faculty Representative or President; and a
- (6) Statement that the student is willing to participate in a Truman Scholars Leadership program sponsored by the Foundation and to attend the awards ceremony.

Subpart C—The Competition

§1801.20 Selection of finalists.

(a) The Foundation selects finalists from the students who are nominated.

§1801.21 Evaluation criteria.

(a) The Foundation selects finalists from the students nominated primarily on the basis of the following criteria:

- (1) Leadership abilities and potential;
- (2) Suitability of the nominee's proposed program of study and its appropriateness for a leadership career in public service with substantial impact on public policies;
 - (3) Writing and analytic skills;
- (4) Academic performance and potential to perform well in graduate school; and
- (5) Quality and extent of public and community service and government involvement.
- (b) The Foundation selects finalists solely on the basis of the information required under §1801.17.
- (c) In the event that the Foundation determines that there are less than two well-qualified candidates from a state, the Foundation may invite all four-year institutions that nominated candidates for this competition to submit additional nominations of candidates from this state or to revise and re-submit nominations of unsuccessful candidates from this state.

§1801.22 Interview of finalists with panel.

The Foundation invites each finalist to an interview with a regional review panel. Panels evaluate Truman Finalists primarily on:

- (a) Leadership potential including vision, sensitivity, and communications skills;
- (b) Commitment to a career in government or elsewhere in public service; and
- (c) Intellectual strength, analytical abilities, and prospects of performing well in graduate school.

§1801.23 Recommendation by panel.

- (a) Each Panel is asked to recommend to the Board of Trustees the name of one candidate from each state in the region to be appointed as a Truman Scholar. The Foundation may authorize each region review panel to recommend additional Scholars from the States in its region.
- (b) The recommendations are based on the material required under §1801.17 and, as determined in the interview, the panel's assessment of each finalist in terms of criteria presented in §1801.22.